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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated August 18, 2009 (the "Office Action"), in the above-captioned application. Claims 37-71 are pending in the Application.

The Office Action states that an election is required based on the Examiner's identification of the following inventions:

Group I: Claims 37-50, 69-71, drawn to a pallet structure; and.

Group II: Claims 57-68, drawn to a system of manufacturing.

The Applicant hereby elects without traverse to prosecute the subject matter of Group I, namely claims 37-50, 69-71, drawn to a pallet structure, classified in class 108, subclass 51.3.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7.